The prospect in service has been explained under part (c) below.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. ED employees are given first preference in the matter of absorption in Group 'D'/ Postmen/Mail Guard and are selected on the basis of their seniority provided they qualify the written test. They can also compete in clerical cadre, with age relaxation.

Industries to be Set up in the North-Eastern States

1427. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up a number of industries in the North-Eastern States during the end of the current Five Year Plan; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) The total Seventh Five Year Plan allocation for North-Eastern States in Central undertakings in Industry and Mineral Sector is Rs. 353.45 crores.

(b) Details are given in the enclosed Statement.

Statement

Investment during Seventh Five Year Plan in Industry and Mineral Sector in North Eastern States

(Rs.in crores)

1. *Bongaigaon Refinery and Petrochemicals Ltd., Bangaigaon*	
(a) Polyester staple fibre project	85.24
(b) Other continuing schemes (xylenes, offsites, catalyst methanol recovery etc)	19.76
2. *Hindustan Fertilizer Corporation*	
(a) Namrup III and other continuing schemes	68.20
(b) Revamping scheme, Namrup	20.00
(c) Replacement, Renewal etc.	5.34
3. *Hindustan Paper Corporation*	
(a) Nowgong Project	50.10
(b) Cachar Project	101.29
4. *Nagaland Paper Corporation*	
(a) Nagaland Paper Project (including additions & modifications)	3.52
TOTAL	353.45